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CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1993 AT 6:00 P.M.
IN H-769, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS CAMPUS

ASSOCIATION

DES ÉTUDIANTS

ET ÉTUDIANTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

DE L'UNIVERSITÉ

CONCORDIA

Chairperson, Geoff Dubrow, called this meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

CO-PRESIDENTS

Philip Dalton Lana Grimes

COMMERCE

Kristina Bolh (7:30 p.m.)

Andrea Fernandez

Emmanuel Kamukama (7:15 p.m.)

Paul O'Connor

ARTS AND SCIENCE

Nada Al-Yazdi (7:50 p.m.) Maha Asfour (6:25 p.m.)

Pascale Batchoun (left at 10:00 p.m.)

Ken Blackburn

Marilyne Boyer (6:15 p.m.)

Helen Ora Cohen

Allan Feldman

Genevieve Grenier (6:40 p.m.)

Wissam Jawad

Shafik Mina (6:45 p.m.)

Ken McMurray Christine Vieira

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FINE ARTS

Jonathan Asencio (left at 7:50 p.m.) Jonathan Carruthers (6:20 p.m.) Aimée Darcel (left at 8:45 p.m.)

ENGINEERING

Shadi Khader Andrew Kennedy Len Podgurny

ABSENT

Arts and Science: Thomas Moll, Laurie Nicholson, Stacy Schacter

Commerce:

Marc Fares

3.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda of the 150th meeting be approved.

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

L. Grimes

VOTE ON MOTION

12/1/2

CARRIED

4.0 CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

G. Dubrow stated that there is a summary of rules and procedures attached to the agenda in order to facilitate the process of meetings functioning smoothly. He added that there is a survey for directors to fill out to evaluate the performance of the Board of Directors. Geoff stated that the Steering Committee suggested that directors limit their speeches to a maximum of three (3) minutes but that he will not be enforcing this rule.

5.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• 147th meeting held on October 7th, 1993

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

K. Blackburn

VOTE ON MOTION

12/0/3

CARRIED

Special meeting held on November 1st, 1993

Moved by:

K. Blackburn

Seconded by:

C. Vieira

VOTE ON MOTION

14/0/3

CARRIED

Approval of minutes of the Informational General Meeting held on November 3, 1993

Moved by:

K. Blackburn

Seconded by:

P. Dalton

VOTE ON MOTION

11/0/4

CARRIED

6.0 REPORTS AND MOTIONS ARISING FROM REPORTS

CUSAcorp Management Ltd.

L. Grimes stated that the newly hired Operations manager quit the day she was due to commence work, due to having been offered a job in her field. She added that an emergency CUSAcorp Board meeting was held whereby it was decided that the qualifications that are required for an Operations manager to be fulfilled, entail a trustworthy individual who has no personal agenda.

- L. Grimes stated that the CUSAcorp Board met last night and came to the conclusion to give their full support to a member of this Board, namely P. O'Connor, who has a strong accounting background, knows the facilities and is aware of the state of affairs of CUSAcorp. She added that P. O'Connor will be reducing his courseload and resigning from the Board if the Board endorses his ratification.
- L. Grimes stated that CUSAcorp cannot wait any longer and must begin the process of generating revenue.
- P. Dalton stated that the CUSAcorp Board, namely M. Asfour and K. Rahhal thoroughly grilled P. O'Connor. He added that P. O'Connor has shown himself to be a dedicated director involved in many aspects and giving a lot of time to the association. Philip stated that P. O'Connor has business experience, has manifested loyalty and trusts him implicitly and added that he is capable of turning CUSAcorp around to bring in a profit.

Motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA endorse and accept CUSAcorp's recommendation that Mr. Paul O'Connor be hired as General Operations manager.

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

L. Podgurny

- P. Dalton stated that \$22,000 will be allocated to this position as a base salary with a bonus system to be discussed.
- C. Vieira stated that she fully endorses P. O'Connor's ratification and feels that he is the best choice for CUSAcorp.

A. Feldman asked to know how soon can CUSAcorp start selling beer. P. O'Connor replied that he has been around the bar over the last few days and added that Reggies was open today and that the Hive will open next week.

VOTE ON MOTION

17/0/2

CARRIED

6.2 CUSA Centre Inc.

L. Grimes stated that construction is well underway and is on schedule and added that facilities will be turned over to CUSA sometime between December 17-23rd. She added that the grand opening will be celebrated sometime in the New Year and added that it is coming in on budget, with a contingency fund in case any problems arise. Lana stated that the only obstacle is to apply to the city to have access from the terrasse.

6.3 Executive Reports

L. Grimes stated that the Co-Presidents met with the union representatives for over five hours and managed to do half the document. She added that very slowly and in a very friendly way, the union is beginning to negotiate on scenarios and added that ultimately some of the more contentious issues will be tackled.

P. Dalton stated that at last night's executive meeting, the issue of eligibility regulations for student senators was discussed and added that he is troubled by the infringement of democratic rights of the student associations to choose their appointments, being that no regulations exist for professors. He added that he will bring forth a motion to the student Senate caucus to abolish these regulations.

A. Ghaemi, V.P. Administration, stated that he is bringing forth two (2) groups for ratifications, those being the Society for Intellectual Freedom and the Concordia's Writer's group.

Motion 623

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Society for Intellectual Freedom be recognized as a CUSA group, to facilitate the process of booking space and receive a mailbox from CUSA.

Moved by:

L. Grimes

Seconded by:

P. Dalton

Alexandra, a member of this group, stated that their objective is to offer to Concordia students a forum to discuss present issues and to have members from the community come in and provide guest speakers on any issues that interest students.

VOTE ON MOTION

17/0/1

CARRIED

A. Ghaemi stated that the Concordia Writer's group has existed sine 1986 and is seeking office space to meet and

share writer's interest.

Motion 624

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Concordia Writer's group be recognized as a CUSA group.

Moved by:

K. Blackburn

Seconded by:

M. Boyer

- M. Boyer stated that their membership should be Concordia students and asked to know how it differs from the Downtown Press. A. Ghaemi replied that the Downtown Press publishes whereas the writer's group is sharing the interests of writers.
- P. Dalton stated that the Concordia Writer's group goal is to benefit the community at large.
- B. Leondhardt, a member of this group, stated that the Concordia Writer's group has inspired members from the community to enroll in the university to pursue academic studies. He added that the creative process of writing is not encouraged enough through the academic curriculum and is an issue the group places great emphasis upon.
- K. McMurray stated that he supports this group and suggested that in the future they collaborate with the Downtown Press.

VOTE ON MOTION

20/0/1

CARRIED

- F. Khader, V.P. Information, stated that he submitted a request to all directors and most clubs for a submission which is required by next Friday.
- P. Dalton stated that the reason CUSA Today is not out yet is due to the Co-Presidents not having had the time to provide their input on the draft copy. L. Podgurny stated that he has seen the draft version and approves of it.
- P. Batchoun asked to know how often CUSA Today will be published. F. Khader replied that at first only two thousand copies will be printed and ideally it will be published once every two weeks.
- C. Vieira asked to know how CUSA intends to pay for this newsletter. A. Brousseau replied that the money has already been budgeted for.

6.4 Finance Committee Report

A. Brousseau stated that he met with the Rector on Monday on the issue of obtaining a loan and added that it went very well. He added that he has been occupied putting together a business proposal for the bank, with which he has

a meeting with tomorrow morning to get feedback.

A. Brousseau stated that the Finance Committee has been meeting regularly and reviewing club budgets.

7.0 OLD BUSINESS (Tabled Motion)

7.1 Motion to Approve CUTV Budget

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CUTV Operating Budget be approved.

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

P. Batchoun

MOTION TO TABLE

Moved by:

K. Blackburn

Seconded by:

L. Podgurny

VOTE ON MOTION TO TABLE

5/8/1

FAILED

A. Darcel asked to know how CUTV intends on raising funds if this budget is not approved. R. Nessim, a member of CUTV replied CUTV's budget is production oriented and added that their goal is to produce shows and program events.

- P. Dalton stated that CUTV's budget is very detailed and meets their bare requirements. He added that he supports this budget and is money well spent. Philip stated that if the association can manage to get CUTV running, then they will be in a position to generate money.
- L. Grimes stated that she is concerned with the financial crisis and suggested that CUTV raise more money. She added that a true commitment is required from the executive of CUTV to generate more than their projected \$1000.00. Lana asked R. Nessim what CUTV's bare minimum requirement is in order to survive. R. Nessim replied that CUTV's cameras have been in existence since the 1970's and added that he does not believe that they can survive for anything less than the \$8,000.00 which they are seeking to obtain.
- A. Ghaemi stated that CUTV has the most expensive material of any CUSA group and the one with the largest membership. He added that no other university has a television club.
- A. Brousseau stated that compared to other groups, raising \$1,000.00 is a substantial amount.

(Time: 7:15 p.m.)

MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

Moved by:

P. Dalton

VOTE ON MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

17/2/0

CARRIED

VOTE ON MOTION

16/2/2

CARRIED

7.2 Motion re: Duplication of Academic Associations (K. McMurray)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, effective immediately, the CUSA Board of Directors ratify and fund no more than one academic association per department/college/autonomous programme as outlined in the most recent version of the University Academic Calendar, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT any department/college/autonomous programme having more than one academic association be asked to consolidate into one group, and that the deadline for this consolidation be March 31, 1994.

MOTION TO TABLE

Moved by:

K. McMurray

Seconded by:

L. Grimes

VOTE ON MOTION TO TABLE

9/4/3

TABLED

8.0 NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Motion to Approve the Budget

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 1993-94 Operating Budget be approved.

Moved by:

P. O'Connor

Seconded by:

P. Batchoun

MOTION TO TABLE

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

K. Blackburn

VOTE ON MOTION TO TABLE

14/4/2

TABLED

8.2 Motion Re: Canada Red Cross Blood Drive

WHEREAS CUSA sponsors an annual Canadian Red Cross (CRC) blood drive, and;

WHEREAS the CRC Donor Health Assessment Questionnaire, questions 12, 13, and 14 states to potential donors,

Question 12:

The following activities put you at risk for AIDS:

- · If male, having sex with another male, even once
- · Sharing needle of taking street drugs by needle
- · Receiving regular treatment with blood or blood product
- · Accepting money or drugs in exchange for sex
- Being the sexual partner of someone who has taken part in any of the above activities, who contracted AIDS or has tested positive for AIDS.

Since 1977, have you participated in any of the above activities, yes or no:

Question 13:

- a) Were you born in or have you emigrated from a country since 1977 where AIDS is a common disease (parts of Carribean, Sub-Saharan, Africa or Islands located near these areas of Africa).
- b) Have you had sex with such a person?

Question 14:

Since 1977, have you traveled to or lived in a country where AIDS is common?

WHEREAS the Concordia Queer Collective views the above questions to set up a false image for those who might be at risk of contracting H.I.V., and;

WHEREAS the CRC questions are based on sexual orientation and race opposed to specific sexual behaviour thus unfairly targeting gay, bisexual men and people from parts of the Carribean, Sub-Saharan and Africa or Islands near these areas;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA petition the CRC to change the wording of their address specific sexual behavior regardless of sexual orientation and race, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT unless measures are taken by the CRC to amend their donation policies. the CUSA cease sponsoring drives until the CRC change their policies.

Moved by:

H. O. Cohen

Seconded by:

E. Kamukama

H. O. Cohen stated that the office of sexual harassment and Health Services has endorsed the Queer Collective's motion, in addition to the Urban Studies Student Association and the Italian Students Association having submitted a written endorsement, and the Irish Students Association having submitted a verbal endorsement. P. Dalton stated that he does not believe that the President of the Urban Studies Students Association has yet consulted the students with regards to this issue. H. O. Cohen read the letter from the U.S.S.A. supporting this motion whereby it was passed at a meeting.

C. Vieira introduced Dr. Delage from the Red Cross who was present to give a presentation.

MOTION TO ALLOW J. EDWARDS PERMISSION TO PRESENT HIS PRESENTATION

Moved by:

H. O. Cohen

VOTE ON MOTION ALLOW J. EDWARDS 20/0/2 PERMISSION TO PRESENT HIS PRESENTATION

CARRIED

P. Dalton called the time limit to three (3) minutes for all members.

- J. Edwards stated that there are three problems with regards to the Red Cross questionnaire, one being directly targeting gay and bisexual men from giving blood in addition to the questionnaire being very vague. He added that sex is not defined in the questionnaire as this issue is not necessarily intercourse for a gay and bisexual man. James stated that gay and bisexual men on this campus are not allowed to give blood, unless they lie on the questionnaire.
- J. Edwards stated that questions 13 and 14 address geographical regions where H.I.V. cases are high right now and questioned why a student from one of these regions cannot give blood due to this constraint. He added that the questionnaire read by potential donors sets a very strong image for whose at risk for H.I.V. James stated that cases of H.I.V. transmission are on the rise for women and are in the highest group and added that the questionnaire does not address specific sexual behaviour. James concluded by saying that if the Red Cross is going to screen blood it should take the extra step to screen the questionnaire.

A member of the African Students Association stated that this group is taking the same stand as that of the Concordia Queer Collective. She added that the African students Association hopes to see questions on the questionnaire adressing specific sexual activities and added that they are discriminated from giving blood due to their geographic origin.

- C. Vieira stated that she agrees with the need for change and lobbying but that she is against the idea of boycotting which has serious consequences for a blood supply which is constantly low. She added that traditionally it has been the ECA that has sponsored blood drives and not CUSA.
- C. Vieira stated that figures which span from October 1991 to the Spring of 1992 indicate that 996 units of blood were collected at Concordia alone for two blood drives a year. Christine stated that at McGill 1,533 units of blood were collected in September 1993 and added that when this figure is added to that of Concordia's, over 2,500 units of blood are at risk of not being in a blood supply, which amounts to approximately a month's supply at a normal

operations of a hospital.

C. Vieira stated that the tactic of boycotting the Red Cross is morally reprehensible due to the dramatic consequences it could impose on the community and added that the actions here can affect others. She added that L. Podgurny and herself conducted a very quick impromptu survey, whereby 144 surveys were returned out of 149 and that 86% of students overwhelmingly said no to a boycott. She added that students were very clear on wanting change.

MOTION TO ALLOW PERMISSION FOR DR. DELAGE TO MAKE A PRESENTATION

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

G. Grenier

VOTE ON MOTION TO ALLOW PERMISSION

18/4/0

CARRIED

FOR DR. DELAGE TO MAKE A PRESENTATION

Dr. Delage stated that there are two issues with this entire debate, the first being the issue of question 13 and 14 and added that up to two weeks ago, question 13, part a) and part b) as well as question 14 have been dropped from the questionnaire. He added that the new printout of the questionnaire in February 1994, won't have the latter questions included in the questionnaire.

Dr. Delage addressed question 12 and stated that it is required from the regulatory agencies and couldn't be removed without the agencies' approval. He added that historically beginning in the 1980's, when the AIDS virus epidemic became apparent, it was centered mostly around the gay communities in certain cities in the United States. He stated that when it became apparent that this agent was being transmitted by blood and blood products, a recommendation was made to move the people who were at high risk of acquiring the infection. Dr. Delage stated that such a policy was instituted in San Francisco and resulted in a 90% drop in the risk of transmission sexually.

Dr. Delage stated that the presently used criteria is all encompassing and that individuals are presently included who could safely give blood. He added that the process of change is a long drawn process and added that a working group of experts have been set up which will come up with a set of recommendations that will hopefully change it. He pointed out to members that the Red Cross' mandate is the safety of the blood supply and due to this restriction their decision will have to demonstrate that it does not decrease the safety of the blood supply. Dr. Delage stated that the Red Cross has to conform to FDA regulations which is not a choice they have leeway with.

MOTION TO DIVIDE THE MOTION

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

P. Dalton

VOTE ON MOTION TO DIVIDE THE MOTION

18/3/2

CARRIED

L. Podgurny stated that there are changes that are being looked at presently as stated by Dr. Delage and added that it

is important that members of the association have an opportunity to address those changes and perhaps take an active role in the form of those changes that may take. He added that it is important for CUSA to allow the students to voice their opinion on the issue of the questionnaire with the backing of the student association.

L. Grimes stated that she is in favour of changing the questionnaire and adressed the issue of the questionnaire being almost criminally negligent due to the fact that nowhere in any of its questions does it ask students if they have ever had unprotected sex.

MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

P. Dalton

VOTE ON MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

13/7/0

FAILED

W. Sebali asked for a recount vote.

VOTE ON MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

16/5/0

CARRIED

Motion 625

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA petition the CRC to change the wording of their questionnaire to address specific sexual behavior regardless of sexual orientation and race.

VOTE ON MOTION

19/1/1

CARRIED

Motion:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT unless measures are taken by the CRC to amend their donation policies that CUSA cease sponsoring drives until the CRC change their policies.

P. Dalton asked members to consider the issue of when blood drives will resume at this university and what implications if any this motion may impose. He suggested that the students of Concordia be consulted for their opinion through a referendum vote.

S. Khader asked the chair to put a halt to disruptions which have been arising from the members of the gallery.

MOTION TO GO INTO CAMERA

Moved by:

S. Khader

Seconded by:

P. Batchoun

The chair called a fifteen minute recess.

(Time: 8:10 p.m.)

The meeting resumed at 8:30 p.m.

The chair informed the Board that he does not feel that moving a meeting at this time in camera is appropriate. He added that he has the right to request any non member to leave the room and he reserves the right to ask the Board to expel another member. The Chair stated that it is unfortunate that the meeting has reached this point and asked all members to allow debate to flow smoothly.

S. Khader withdrew the motion.

Dr. Delage stated that the new questionnaire is under piloting and that the Red Cross expects very little changes to be made.

A. Darcel stated that the questionnaire ignores altogether bisexual women, heterosexual and lesbian women and asked to know if this Board has any influence on adding a question to this effect. Dr. Delage replied that heterosexual women are addressed in both the old and new questionnaires. He added that with respect to lesbian women, although there are clear reports of transmission of H.I.V., the risk is so low that it doesn't justify at the present time policies for that group.

(Time: 8:45 p.m.)

MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

L. Podgurny

VOTE ON MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING

19/0/3

CARRIED

M. Soso questioned whether discrimination is immoral and stated that if the issue of this debate entails lives, then why does the questionnaire not address women who are at risk, though not high enough risk, eventhough those lives are not lost in large enough numbers to justify them being put on the questionnaire. Michelle stated that women should be included in the questionnaire to assess whether they are at risk since unprotected sex puts one at risk.

M. Soso stated that the survey that was dropped off in everyone's mailbox is completely biased and is rather insulting, to believe that in one hour, 144 individuals would be surveyed in one location and would be the jist of a three page survey report.

L. Grimes asked to know if every drop of blood gets tested. Dr. Delage replied that all donations are thoroughly tested.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE SPEAKER'S LIST

Moved by:

A. Feldman

Seconded by:

G. Grenier

VOTE ON MOTION TO CLOSE THE SPEAKER'S LIST

17/1/2 CARRIED

S. Mina stated that there a lot of problems with the questionnaire but that he is not justify boycotting the Red Cross. He added that he agrees that the association has to petition the Red Cross to change their questionnaire but that he does not feel that the Red Cross should be penalized from collecting blood at this university. Shafik stated

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that the Board should keep in mind the people who are in need of blood when voting on this motion and not on the issue of the questionnaire being offensive.

M. Margaret Jones, a member from the lesbians and bisexuals of McGill University, stated that they proposed the same resolution to their student society and added that they are not asking for a boycott. She added that their objective is to raise awareness that members have a certain ethical code to follow and must abide by. Margaret stated that discriminatory activities can no longer continue at McGill because of the resolution that passed. She concluded by saying that ceasing to sponsor a blood drive is not the same as a boycott.

P. O'Connor stated that a vote in favour of this motion would directly be affecting those in need of blood and by bringing the Red Cross to their knees one is also bringing to their knees the people who are in need of this blood supply.

S. Khader stated that by ceasing sponsorship in a sense it implies a boycott and added that he does not see the Red Cross discriminating, rather they are imposing regulations.

S. Khader asked the Chair to have an observer who is not a student leave the room for her comments.

The chair stated that any further disruptions arising from members will result in their having to leave the meeting.

MOTION TO HAVE AN OBSERVER WHO IS NOT A STUDENT LEAVE THE MEETING

Moved by:

S. Khader

Seconded by:

N. Al-Yazdi

The chair asked S. Khader if he is asking all non-students present to leave the meeting. S. Khader replied that he would like all non-students to leave the meeting. M. Boyer pointed out that by doing this, he is also asking L. Grimes to leave the meeting.

The chair called a ten-minute recess due to the meeting being disrupted due to verbal abuse.

The meeting resumed at 9:40 p.m.

The chair stated that the debate escalated because of the obvious tension with the issue at hand. He added that the potential for violence is something that no one wishes to deal with and stated that as chairperson of this Board, he requested that the gentleman in the green shirt sitting at the end of the table and S. Khader be asked to leave the meeting.

Objections arose to the chair's request and P. Dalton asked the chair to proceed with the meeting.

The chair stated that under the circumstances which arose, he does not feel that S. Khader's motion is appropriate.

S. Khader withdrew the motion.

S. Khader stated that the Red Cross is setting standards and asked the directors who would like to put a restriction on the Red Cross, to consider what would happen if one day they require blood due to an accident. He concluded by saying that putting a ban on the Red Cross is not the most effective route to be considering.

MOTION TO AMEND

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA petition the CRC to either eliminate or appropriately reword survey questions in a way that do not specify sexual behaviour, sexual orientation, race, past locale of habitation, place of voyage and national origin, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT unless measures are taken by the CRC to amend their donation policies that CUSA cease sponsoring drives until the CRC change their policies.

Moved by:

J. Carruthers

This amendment was friendly.

C. Vieira stated that this amendment has already been passed by petitioning the CRC to make changes to their questionnaire, in the first part of the motion. The chair stated that the amendment is germane as it qualifies the resolution.

P. Dalton stated that whatever the substance of this motion and the issue, it is clear that opinions are divided. He added that the people who should be consulted and make the decision are the students of this university.

MOTION TO AMEND

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA petition the CRC to either eliminate or appropriately reword survey questions in a way that do not specify sexual behaviour, sexual orientation, race, past locale of habitation, place of voyage and national origin, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT by referendum students be asked to decide that unless measures are taken by the CRC to amend their donation policies that CUSA cease sponsoring blood drives.

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

K. Blackburn

P. Dalton stated that the policy should not be changed unless the students vote in favour of having it changed.

MOTION TO TABLE ORIGINAL MOTION UNTIL QUORUM IS REACHED FOR A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Moved by: H. O. Cohen
Seconded by: E. Kamukama

The chair stated that the motion on hand is out of order as it is sending the issue to a special general meeting rather than to a referendum, which is contradicting the actual motion.

The chair stated that the issue of the referendum has to be dealt with and added that if this motion fails, the motion to call a special general meeting could be introduced.

The chair stated that the debate will continue with P. Dalton's amendment.

P. Dalton stated that the amendment to proceed with a referendum is a logical approach to this issue and added that a special general meeting is not necessarily the best route to take as it could result in the situation of which side could stack the room more.

MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

Moved by:

L. Podgurny

Seconded by:

S. Khader

VOTE ON MOTION TO CALL THE QUESTION

16/2/2

CARRIED

MOTION TO HAVE A ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT

Moved by:

H. O. Cohen

Seconded by:

A. Feldman

The following directors voted in favour on the amendment: P. Dalton, L. Grimes, N. Al-Yazdi, P. O'Connor, K. Blackburn, J. Carruthers, P. Batchoun, M. Asfour, A. Fernandez, S. Khader, W. Jawad, A. Kennedy, L. Podgurny, G. Grenier, C. Vieira, K. Bolh.

The following directors voted against the amendment: E. Kamukama, H. O. Cohen, A. Feldman.

The following directors abstained from the amendment: M. Boyer, K. McMurray.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND BY ROLL CALL VOTE 16/3/2 CARRIED

M. Giles stated that she does not believe that the Red Cross survey is intended to be educational and added that it is functional. She added that the old survey does not protect the blood supply and beyond any issue of discrimination, low risk activities are included in the survey but high risk activities are not, which is a major flaw. Marika stated that it is evident that a lot of points don't address the people that are at risk by not properly screening the blood.

- C. Tross, a student, stated that the Red Cross through its statement is being totally racist and is promoting segregation in Canada and throughout North America which is the question that needs to be addressed.
- L. Podgurny stated that there were some flaws in the survey but that it did help open the eyes of many students. He added that surveys like this one need to be attempted and perfected in order to allow students to have a say in what the association is doing. Len stated that he is in favour of the motion because it takes the question back to the people in a fair and democratic way.

A. Feldman asked to know if there would be a blood drive that would be affected by CUSA's actions, that is anticipated before this referendum would take place. P. Dalton replied that there isn't any blood drive planned in the foreseeable near future.

Motion 626

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CUSA petition the CRC to either eliminate or appropriately reword survey questions in a way that do not specify sexual behaviour, sexual orientation, race, past locale of habitation, place of voyage and national origin, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT by referendum students be asked to decide that unless measures are taken by the CRC to amend their donation policies that CUSA cease sponsoring blood drives.

MOTION TO HAVE THE VOTE ON MOTION BY A ROLL CALL VOTE

Moved by:

H. O. Cohen

Seconded by:

L. Podgurny

The following directors voted in favour of the motion: P. Dalton, L. Grimes, N. Al-Yazdi, P. O'Connor, E. Kamukama, K. Blackburn, A. Feldman, M. Boyer, J. Carruthers, P. Batchoun, K. McMurray, A. Fernandez, S. Khader, W. Jawad, A. Kennedy, L. Podgurny, G. Grenier, C. Vieira, K. Bolh.

The following directors abstained from the motion: M. Asfour, H. O. Cohen.

VOTE ON MOTION BY ROLL CALL VOTE

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CARRIED

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by:

P. Dalton

Seconded by:

G. Grenier

VOTE ON MOTION TO ADJOURN

UNANIMOUS

This meeting was adjourned at 11:35 p.m.

Helen Danakas/M. Giles Secretary

Geoff Dubrow, Chairperson